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Rainwater Management in a Watershed Sustainability Context:

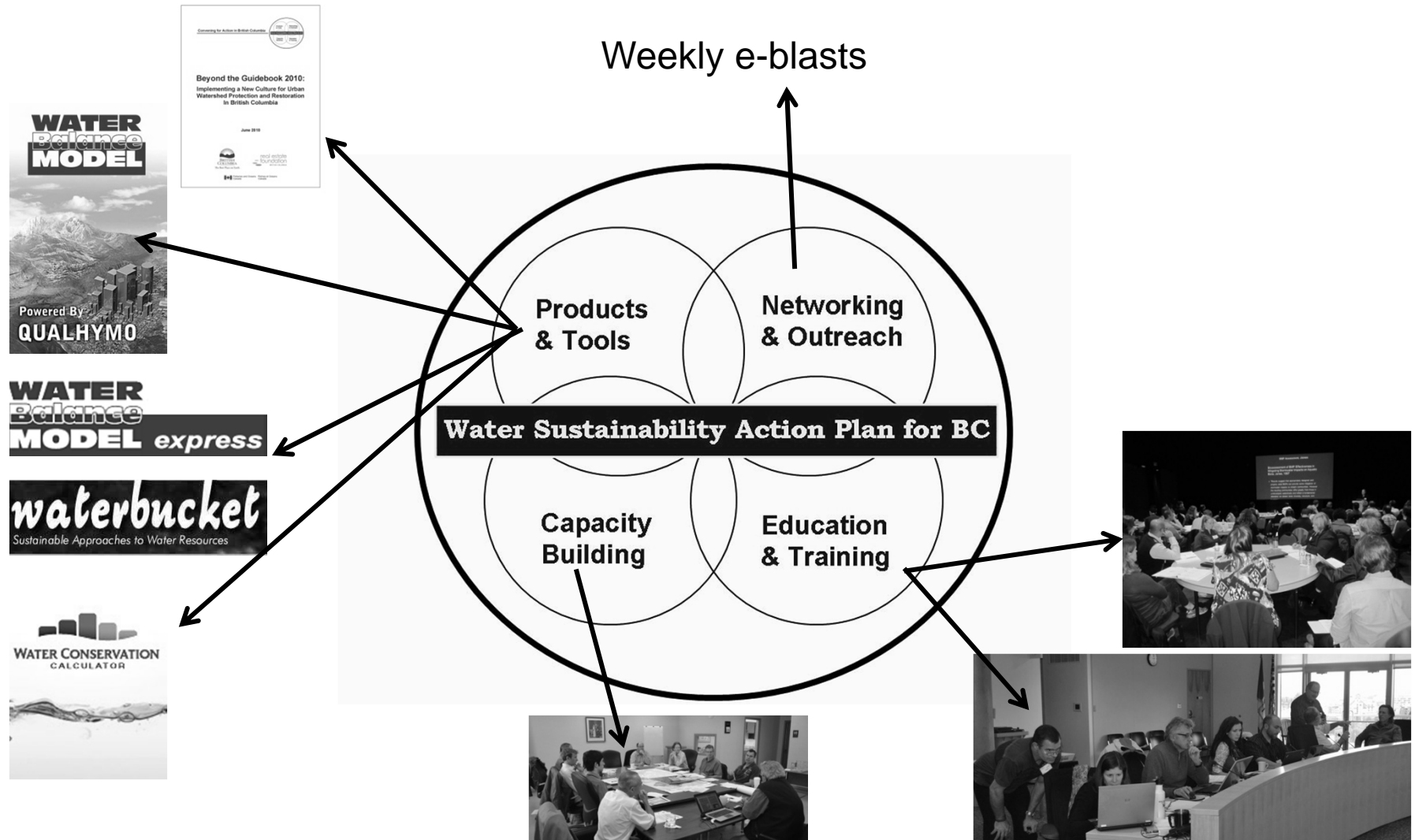
The City of Coquitlam is a leader by example

Kim A Stephens, M.Eng., P.Eng., Executive Director



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Articles about Coquitlam experience are featured prominently on the waterbucket.ca website

KEY MESSAGE:

Local governments learn from each other and progress through sharing of case study experience



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Category Archives: Creating the Future in Coquitlam: Integrated Watershed Plans

Integrated Watershed Management: “Develop approaches which balance idealism with pragmatism,” says Peter Steblin, Coquitlam City Manager

 “We have arrived at a good place, but the journey has not been easy. In fact, we had to work our way through some pretty contentious periods. We persevered, we adapted and we progressed. We want other local governments to know about the good, the bad and the ugly of the Coquitlam story so that they may learn from our experience and know that it is okay to stumble,” states Peter Steblin.

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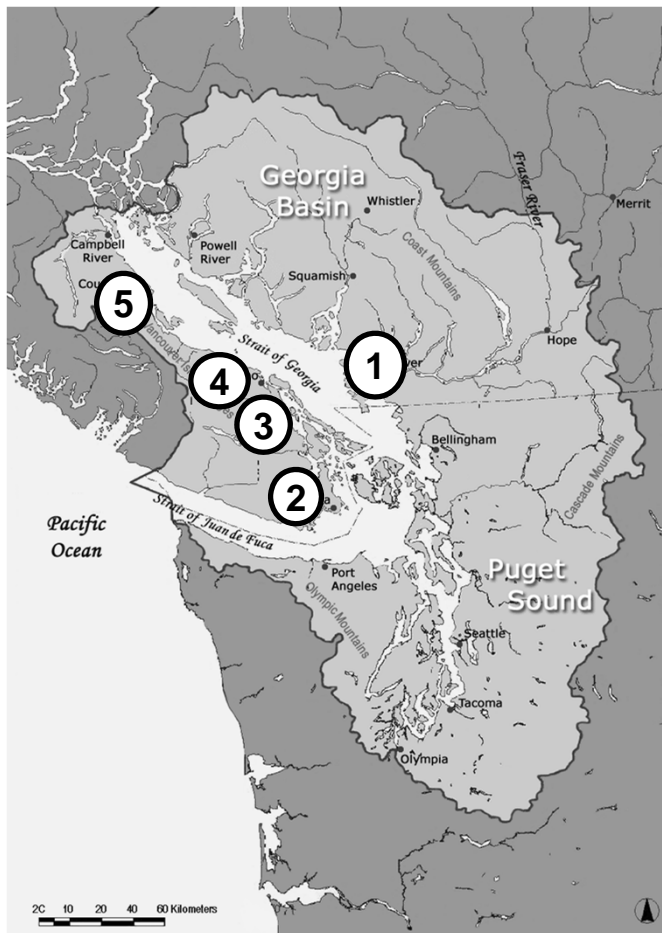
Goal of the Watershed-Based Approach in the City of Coquitlam: “Balance land use, drainage and the environment,” reports Melony Burton

 “Coquitlam’s Official Community Plan requires that a Watershed Plan be completed before a Neighbourhood Plan can be developed,” states Melony Burton. “This important direction guides appropriate land use in response to a watershed’s unique conditions and needs.”

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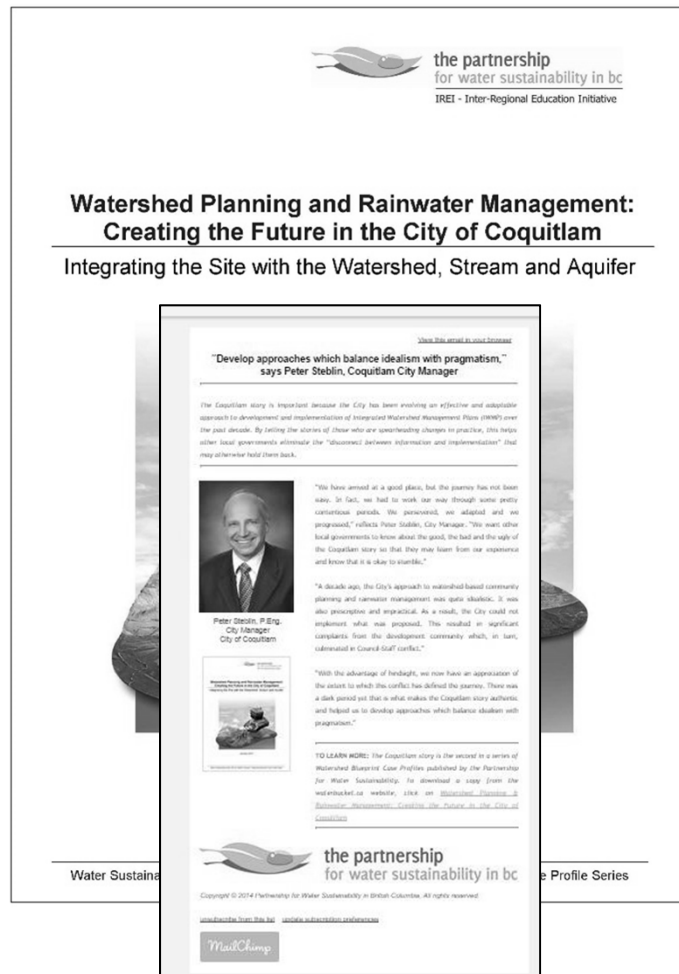
Implementation Watershed-Based Community Planning in Coquitlam

Five geographic 'regions' are sharing and cross-fertilizing tools, resources, information and expertise



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- ④ Nanaimo Region
- ③ Cowichan Valley
- ② Capital Region
- ① Metro Vancouver
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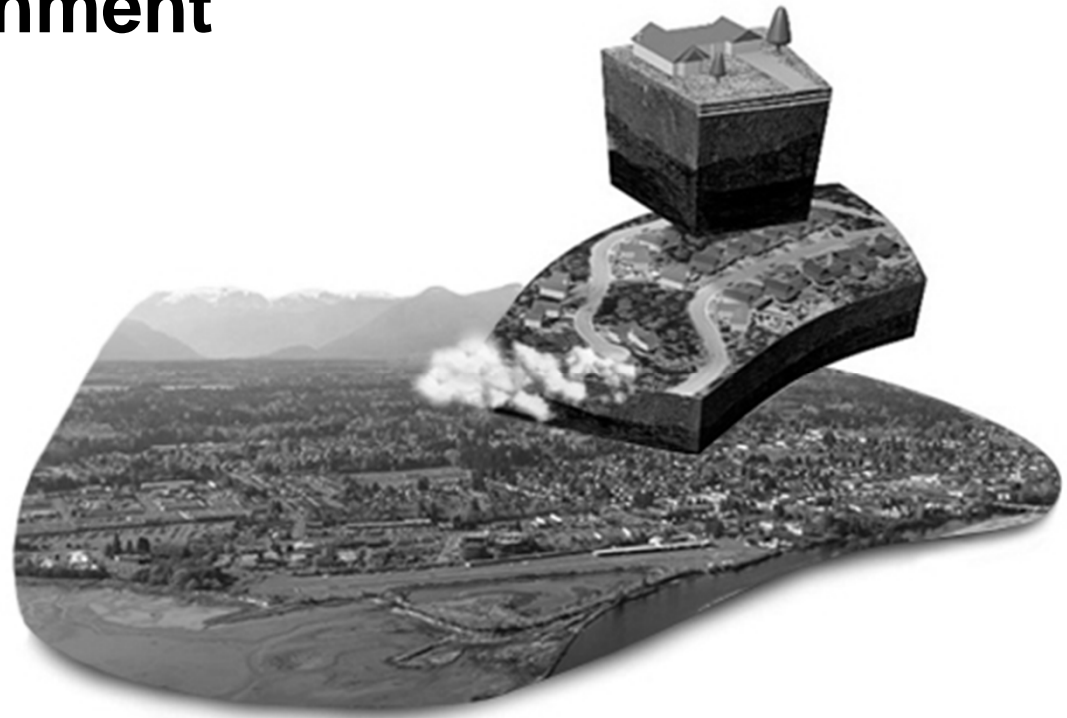
Coquitlam experience is informing the Georgia Basin Inter-Regional Educational Initiative



By telling the stories of those who are spearheading changes in practice, this helps other local governments eliminate the “disconnect between information and implementation” that may otherwise hold them back.

THE INTER-REGIONAL DELIVERABLE is a guidance document:

“Towards a Watershed Health Legacy in the Built Environment”



APPLICATION:

It would be used by local governments to guide actions, inform community and watershed planning, and ultimately create a legacy (i.e. healthy watersheds & streams)

The Partnership for Water Sustainability in BC is
pleased to recognize the City of Coquitlam as a
Champion Supporter

“The City of Coquitlam’s long-term
commitment is helping the Partnership
advance the vision for water sustainability
through implementation of green
infrastructure policies and practices.”

Ted van der Gulik
President

